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Senator Fonfara, Representative Nardello, members of the Energy and Technology Committee, thank you for allowing me to testify today on SB 450 AAC Energy Conservation and Renewable Energy. My comments will focus specifically on sections 6-7 of the bill.

The state and federal governments offer a wide variety of incentives and programs to encourage homeowners and business owners to install energy efficiency upgrades in their homes and businesses. Many people are unaware of the benefits of installing energy efficient upgrades and the availability of programs that make installation more affordable.

The legislation before you would require builders and architects to provide customers information regarding energy efficiency incentives and programs at both the state and federal level while still in the construction's development stage. Consumers can then do a cost benefit analysis and make decisions accordingly, rather than waiting until the building is complete and costlier to renovate.

Thank you for your consideration.